

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

COMPARING ACCESS CONTROL LISTS FOR CONFIGURING A SECURITY POLICY

ON A NETWORK

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION--EXPEDITED AFTER FINAL PRACTICE (37 CFR 1.116)

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action mailed October 31, 2006, the shortened statutory period for which runs until January 31, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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